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1. A Bulgarian trade delegation, headed by Foreign Trade Minister Zhivko Zhivkov, was in Moscow during the first half of February 1955. 25X1
2. Soviet-Bulgarian trade talks had been held previously in Sofia, and Bulgaria submitted a list of items for export to the USSR which included 30 million kg. of fruit pulp, 5 million kg. of tomato pulp, and large quantities of potatoes. Subsequent to these talks, the Ministry of Agriculture had ordered increased cultivation of tomatoes.
3. At the Moscow meeting, however, the Soviets refused to accept these commodities. The Bulgarian Ministry of Foreign Trade consequently attempted to sell the produce to other Satellites. Although Eastern Germany agreed to buy potatoes at 0.15 leva per kg., the Ministry of Agriculture decided to keep them for fodder rather than sell at such a low price.

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